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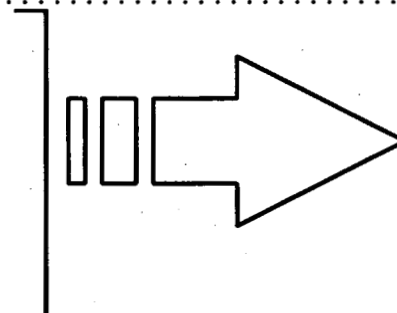
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In 1996 and 1997, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service worked with the United States Geological Survey, the United States Department of Energy, the University of California Regents, and the New Mexico Environment Department to investigate the biological, chemical, and physical characteristics of four intermittent streams in the canyons that cross the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. The measured characteristics and habitat model results were compared to the reference site and to applicable criteria in order to develop indices of biological, chemical, and physical quality. These individual indices were then summed into a Water Quality Index to identify any stream impairment. The four intermittent streams investigated were found to support an existing aquatic life use.

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